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## SUMMARY OF EVENTS OF THE PAST WEEK

## CANADIAN

The price of wheat at the beginning of the week was \$17.70. The preliminary trial of Wong Fong Sing, the Chinaman accused of the murder of Janet Smith in Vancouver, has begun. The accused is alleged to have been kidnapped soon after the murder and kept in confinement under rather mysterious circumstances until just before the trial. Mrs. Baker, in whose house Janet Smith was a servant, and where she was found dead, has been indicted for slandering a Miss Rooke, of Vancouver, who is alleged to have stated that she had been a party to the girl's murder.

At Ottawa the Liberal Progressive party over the budget vote has developed into something like a breach in the party. Mr. Forke, the leader, obtained the dismissal of the chief whip, J. F. Johnston, but it is reported that the party has intervened on behalf of Johnston, a somewhat strange proceeding in the case of two supposed opponents and separate parties. There seems to be a possibility that a separate Prairie Provincial party will be out of this incident, unless the whole Progressive Party ceases to exist as an independent body.

Lord Byng, the Governor-General, accompanied by Mr. Greenfield, the Premier of Alberta, is to make an expedition to the far north of the island, starting about the middle of July next.

In the Nova Scotia mills strike there are signs that military force may be needed to maintain order. At Norridge the miners have gone to work on the same reduced scale of wages as in Southern Alberta and Fernie.

Heavy shillings for oil rights in the Turner Valley, south of Calgary, have been made in the last week. Mr. Brett, of Banff, son of the Lieutenant-Governor of Alberta, died suddenly on Friday of heart failure. It is announced that the Alberta Wheat Pool is to give all possible help to the dairy, livestock and poultry pools now being organized in Saskatchewan. There is to be a general election on 2nd June next. The present Liberal Government was formed by Premier Dunning has been in office since June, 1923. There does not seem to be any very serious issue at stake in the election.

The town of St. Joseph d'Alma in Quebec was largely destroyed by fire at the end of the week.

## BRITISH AND IMPERIAL

Premier Massey of New Zealand, is dead. He had been Premier since 1912 continuously and was the last of the wartime premiers. Mr. Massey, an Admiral Sturdee, who commanded the British fleet at the battle of the Falkland Islands, is dead.

The battle in the North Sea in which the German fleet under Admiral Scheer was destroyed, and the British fleet under Admiral Beatty and the Royal Canadian fleet under Admiral Cradock and his squadron at Coronel a few weeks earlier.

Lord Leverhulme died suddenly. He was best known as a soap manufacturer and the model village which he built for his workers at Port Sunlight was one of the earliest efforts to improve the position of the working people in Great Britain and to bring them closer to the employers and employed.

The British Food Commission has made its reports. There is a majority report and two minority reports. The introduction to some extent of the food control instituted in the war. One minority report recommends control. The other suggests an even more stringent control than that of the first report.

At the League of Nations the British representatives have advised the omission of warships from the proposed agreement to prevent the carrying of arms and munitions without the authority of the League. The British contention is that the agreement is intended to prevent secret armaments, and that warships cannot be built secretly. The proposal and opposition to it has come from a few of the small nations.

There is strong opposition to the proposed duty on imported silk. There was also a heated session between Winston Churchill, the premier, and Mr. Snowden, the late Chancellor under the Labour Government, on the subject of the duty. Mr. Snowden has suggested that Mr. Churchill has sold his free trade principles to obtain office.

## FOREIGN

Hard fighting has been going on in Morocco between the Moors and the French. So far the French seem to have been getting the best of it, but they have not been able to relieve all their beleaguered posts, which they have been supplying with water and munitions from aeroplanes.

The attempt to reach the North Pole by aeroplane has been abandoned by the aviators as they are proposing to make the attempt from Greenland, not from Alaska as suggested by the aviators from another point.

In Bulgaria fighting between the Government forces and the Communists has continued. The Communists

## ROTARY CLUB

At the weekly meeting of the Rotary Club on Monday last, the Rev. Mr. Churchill was the speaker, and delivered a fine address on "The Treasure of the Heart." The subject was discussed (1) its language; (2) its list of noted men and women, original in thought and action; (3) its influence on civil and religious liberty; (4) its national character of permanency and stability. The speaker was listened to by the members of the Club with great interest. Mr. Churchill also congratulated the Club on its work in the past and hoped that it would be continued.

## THE WEATHER

The latter part of last week was dry and clear but quite cold with frost at night. This week has been sunny and warm and the trees are beginning to come out in the heat. From various quarters word is coming that rain is needed.

School Trustee J. Berry, who is absent from the school on account of his absence from the football match on Friday, has explained that it was due to his having had to assist in fighting a fire at his home. The fire started in his kitchen and he was unable to get it under control. Mr. Berry's excuse has been accepted by the Trustees and he has been found not guilty but warned not to do again.

## PENHOLD NOTES

The next meeting of the W. I. will be held at Mrs. Halsey's house on May 21st, when Mr. Halsey will be the speaker. The subject of the meeting will be "The Penhold Rifle Club." The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on Friday, May 21st, at Mrs. Halsey's house. The meeting will be held at 8 p.m. on Friday, May 21st, at Mrs. Halsey's house.

Several of our young people attended the Penhold Rifle Club on Friday and got home in time to go to work. A very pleasant evening was spent at the whist drive on Friday. Mr. Wood won the ladies' prize, a lovely silk scarf, and Mr. Nelson won the gentlemen's prize, a lovely silk scarf. The Penhold Rifle Club is a very popular club and is well attended.

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You can get your Frost hog fence at Lord's.

Constable Holmes, of the A.P.P., is in hospital with an injured leg.

C. Clarke visited Stoney Plain last week and returned on Sunday, bringing back Mrs. Clarke and the baby.

A number of the young people took advantage of the fine weather to enjoy a day at the Lake on Sunday.

Mrs. A. Taylor arrived word last Tuesday of the death of her brother, Ralph Adams, of Kilsall, Montana.

The I.O.B.F. wish to thank the friends of the Order whose assistance contributed largely towards the success of the afternoon concert and the Rose Ball.

Mr. Hugel, of Springvale, informs us that a boy found a car license plate, No. 2812, near his place the other day, which his owner can save by applying to him.

W. E. Lord Co. and Jonathan Loves both have had on sale, apples and grapes from Australia, which had stood the long journey excellently and were of attractive quality.

Mrs. T. S. Miller received a batch of 35 Buff Orpington chicks from Vancouver. They arrived yesterday and are doing well.

One domesticated old hen, adopted the lot right away.

Sergeant Smith, formerly of the A.P.P. and his family, passed through Red Deer a few days ago on the way to Edmonton. He is a devoted father, after all, he prefers Canada to the United States.

The Provincial Department of Agriculture is advertising cash prizes of \$2500 for the destruction of gophers, crows and mice, before 1st September next. The prizes will be awarded to the person who can destroy the most of these pests.

Wilson & Treadwell have installed a new refrigerator in their shop. It is a very fine one and is well adapted for the storage of food.

Mr. J. A. Carwell had a letter from his son Arthur in Calgary. He is a very fine young man and is well adapted for the storage of food.

The editor hastens to apologize to the readers of the "News" for the inexcusable carelessness which led him to write the article on the "Penhold Rifle Club" in the "Independent Order."

The watching cattle, promptly and with justice, are being successfully kept in the district by the police.

About twenty-five of the Robekah Sisters met at the home of Mrs. F. Hayhoe, 3rd St. N.E., on Wednesday last, where they were held for their marriage with Mr. K. Welliver.

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## SPECIAL ONE-HOUR SERVICES AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Questions Folks Are Asking About the Church. 7.30 p.m.

May 17th—"What is the message of the Church to this day and age?"

May 24th—"What is the mission of the Church?"

May 31st—"What is the meaning of the Church?"

A special invitation to young people.

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Practice was held on Friday and Monday. The turn-out was better than on the first day and the men began to get into



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THE STORY OF A  
ROSE GARDEN

In a small British town a few years ago there lived an old civil engineer and his middle-aged and unmarried daughter. They owned and occupied a comfortable house in the suburbs of the town. This house stood in a fair-sized garden divided by a tall and thick hedge into two halves. In one of these halves stood the house. The other half consisted mainly of a small, half-bush, but there were also fruit trees and a number of very beautiful and valuable rose trees. There were also similar rose trees and other flowers in the half of the garden where the house stood. The engineer, who may be called Brown, was a keen gardener and took a great pride in his garden. The whole garden was shut in by small trees or shrubs growing thickly together and was enclosed by the usual stone wall. On two sides of it ran a public road. The other two sides were the garden of two other private houses, one of about the same size as Brown's, the other a very large, rambling place, almost a small estate, the grounds of which were thickly grown with trees and much neglected, while the house itself had for some time been empty.

It was mid-summer and the garden was in its full glory with fruit ripening and roses blooming in profusion. One day Mr. Brown had to go out into the country on business. His house consisted of Miss Brown, his daughter, and a maid, a strong and good-looking country girl. In the afternoon Miss Brown happened to take a walk into the garden to look at the flowers. She opened the gate at the hedge, referred to above as dividing the garden, and at once she saw that something very annoying had happened. Two large and heavy ornamental flower vases ordinarily stood on stone pedestals just within the gate. They had both been thrown down and their contents were strewn on the ground. This was not all. The net which covered the strawberry bed and protected the fruit from the birds had been thrown back and the strawberries evidently fresh and ripe, were strewn away. Finally, several fine rose bushes had been wantonly broken, and stood or lay smashed on the ground. In the centre of this half of the garden was high and ripe for cutting. From the rose bed through the centre of this half ran what obviously seemed the route of the intruder, for there was a trampled trail leading to

the corner of the garden where the rose trees stood. The path led to a corner just inside the boundary wall where a few stray rose petals, apparently blown from the bushes, had escaped. Miss Brown was intensely annoyed. The damage was not great, but she knew her father would be at the smashing of his rose trees, and the mere fact of the garden being invaded at all in this way when there were no one in the house could be seen from the house, and the hedge dividing that half of the garden from the house was so tall and thick that no one in the house could see over or through it what was going on in the other part of the garden. Miss Brown went back to the house and told her maid, who may be called Kate, what had happened. It was put down to the work of some mischievous school boys, but that did not make it any less vexatious. It was still early in the afternoon, and Mr. Brown was not expected back till late in the evening. Miss Brown, therefore, went over to one of her neighbours to tell her what had happened and also to say that she did not like the idea of being left in the house with only the maid, but that her father's likelihood of someone coming into the garden in this fashion.

One of the neighbour's sons, who may be called Smith, was at that time home from the South on holiday. He was not in when Miss Brown called, but on his coming in early in the evening he was asked to go over to the Browns' house. On going over he found that Miss Brown had just got back and together the two men walked round the garden to examine the damage. The roses which had been in the soft mould of the rosebed there was no distinct trace of the intruders. The weathered edge of the hedge was comparatively hard, and it was also obvious that the intruders had been cautious enough to keep as much as possible to the edge of the hedge, so that the one footmark, however, disposed of the small suspicion, as it was distinctly too big for anything but a man or a very well grown boy. Brown announced his intention of reporting the matter to the police. Now that a policeman could stay in the garden at night without fear, as the police also had decided to stay in the garden through the night. About ten o'clock at night, when the long mid-summer day was drawing to a close, the police arrived for the night. Smith was already there in the house, and Kate showed the officer into the drawing room with a fine flurry of excitement. The alarming incidents had broken down the reserve that usually existed between mistress and maid in a British household, and Kate was eagerly making and making enough suggestions as to hiding places in the garden for the watchers. There was no lack of such hiding places, as the thick bushes all round the outside edges of the garden made splendid places for hiding. Brown suggested that the two men should walk round the garden and select the hiding places. Kate suggested that the policeman should watch the far half of the garden, while Smith watched the half where the house stood. The two men went to the front door, passed through the gate in the hedge to the other part of the garden and quickly found an excellent watching place completely screened by thick low shrubs. The selection took them at most a couple of minutes, and then they returned to the house half of the garden to select Smith's hiding place. In that two minutes, and then they returned to the house half of the garden to select Smith's hiding place. In that two minutes, and then they returned to the house half of the garden to select Smith's hiding place.

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It was at this point that Smith re-

newed his offer to assist in watching

the garden, and Brown, with his faith

in the police distinctly shaken, accept-

ed the offer, but not in time to allow

Smith to get any of his friends for the

Saturday night. The police were still

supposed to be keeping a close watch

on the place. The worthy Kate's fian-

cée added to the length of his visits in

the evenings, but Saturday afternoon saw

the second attack of the day brought

off with all the skill and unobtrusive

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other side of the garden and gave Smith the pleasing information that he must go back to the police station in town to report. It appeared that the police headquarters had regarded the case so lightly that they had given him instructions to watch the garden only till midnight and then to return to town. Now, as said, the case seemed obviously serious he could report that fact to his headquarters and return. In the meantime, Smith watched alone. He offered him his handcuffs which to an inexperienced man were perfectly useless, and departed, leaving Smith wondering whether this was really such a lark as it had seemed in the comfortable crowded light of day.

However, the policeman duly returned in an hour or so and the joint vigil was resumed. Slowly the darkness passed. Slowly the sky grew grey again and the light began to return, and as it came the shrubberies began to wake to life, and branches moving in the morning breeze took on the form of sinister hands peering over the wall and dodging down again. It is an old story that it is much harder to stand and await attack than to go forward to meet it, and Smith discovered that fact when he found himself forced irresistibly to investigate some of these nodding branches and satisfy himself that they were in truth harmless.

Day came in full brightness and a welcome sun to warm the rather chilled watchers and nothing had occurred. Almost half an hour later for breakfast and rest. The mystery seemed unsolved but the police had formed their theory. They informed Mr. and Miss Brown that they were to go to church as usual, they told Kate that she was to go to the house doors and by no means to stir outside, and they added that there was no likelihood of any further attack in daylight, but that she would resume the watch in the afternoon. Kate naturally objected strenuously to being left alone in the house, but the police assured her that she would be all right with the doors locked, and they then ostentatiously left the place and went in the direction of town.

They did not, however, leave. One of them climbed over the wall back into the garden and lay down under the shelter of the hedge which divided it, and he cut a hole in the thickness of the hedge so as to watch both halves of the garden. In due course, Mr. and Miss Brown departed for church, and almost half an hour later Kate came out and walked down the road in the direction of the house, unlocked the door, and went in. At once the policeman sprang from his shelter, and "raced" Kate and he went to the back door, which was open. Kate was merely standing looking at the bed and, on her appearance, stated that she was only looking to see if any diamonds had been taken to it. Policeman and girl walked together round to the front door of the house and as they got there they met two more policemen coming in at the gate. All four stood and chatted for a minute. Then two of the policemen announced that they were going in one direction while the other said he was going to look at an empty house in the other direction. Kate went back to the house. The policeman separated, and went up and down the road in the direction of the house, and the policeman sprang over the wall into the garden. The other two leaped the wall into the shrubbery of the adjoining property and ran back towards the house. The policeman who came back to the house, and as they came they heard the roses in the large bed going snap, snap, and rushing to the place they found Kate furiously smashing and cutting the bushes at top speed. When she saw them rushing towards her she fled back into the house, collapsed in hysterics and declared that she knew nothing about the matter. There is little more to be said. The cunning, skilful with which she carried out her mischievous attacks are quite characteristic of a certain type of lunacy. Her father, a small farmer, was sent for, and asked to take the girl away. It is only to be recorded that, after hearing his daughter's story, he flatly refused to believe that she was guilty. The garden remained undisturbed from that day on.

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## THE WESTERN GENERAL QUESTION

The people of Red Deer will be glad to see the announcement in this issue that the City and the Western General Electric Company have agreed on a basis of arbitration for the purchase by the City of the Company's plant and rights in the City. The arbitrator will be the Board of Public Utilities, which ensures an entirely impartial consideration of both sides of the question.

Before any purchase is actually made a by-law will have to be submitted to the people. It will be some little time before this can be done, probably about two months. In the meantime the question will no doubt be discussed fully by the citizens in private.

It may not be out of place to suggest that in considering this question certain things may well be kept in mind. It has not been easy to arrive at a basis of settlement. Much time, thought and discussion has been given to it. Now that such basis has been arrived at, nothing should lightly be said or done to disturb it. Let there be no thought of personal bitterness in this matter. Let credit be given to all concerned for acting in good faith. Let it be remembered that just as the City Council and its members have the right and the duty to protect the interest of the City, so the Company and its representatives have the right and the duty to protect their interests. Let there be no suggestion of selfishness on one side or the other. Self-interest enters into all our actions more or less, and none of us can in this respect cast a stone at our fellows. If there are any doubts in our minds as to the wisdom or otherwise of any course of action, let us give the benefit of the doubt to the cause of peace and conciliation. Let us remember that we elected the City Council to represent us, and that therefore we should be very slow to question any decision they may come to or reject, any course they may advise, even while we may and ought to weigh freely and fully such decisions and advice before adopting them. In short, let us all try to make this matter the triumph of peace and good will, and let us make a fresh start.

## THE CITY BEAUTIFUL

Those who heard the address of Mr. Reader, the Parks Superintendent of Calgary, ten days ago, or read the summary of it published in the local papers, probably noticed that almost all the natural beauties which are mentioned as being desirable for the parks which beautify a city are either already possessed or are comparatively easily attained by Red Deer. We have the trees, the running water both of river and creek, the open spaces already publicly owned, the tract of untouched natural land close to our boundaries in the Gazte Lake bird sanctuary, the children's playground well equipped—all these things we have acquired in good time and before their price had become too exorbitantly high. Mr. Reader's suggestions for further improvements are very moderate in respect of cost and likely to add quite a little to the appearance and comfort of our city. In particular the growing of shade trees on the public square will in due time be a notable addition. At present, the city square, with its grass, its bandstand, guns and its excellent children's playground, is in some respects wholly admirable, but there is just a suggestion of bareness about it on the glaring days which will be pleasantly relieved by the eventual growth of trees on it. Shade is needed when people want to sit quietly and rest for a time on the square. The Post Office grounds are better off in this respect, though these can never be in anything like satisfactory condition until that dreadful eyecore of a pit is filled in or made use of in some way. That, however, is not the fault of the city authorities. We understand that Mr. Reader expressed himself as wholly in favour of the purchase by the city of the land to the south of town in order to save the spruce trees there for the benefit of the people. The by-law for this purchase will soon be put before the ratepayers, and it is to be hoped that it will receive their approval in spite of the admitted necessity for right economy. We have an attractive little city now. The aim should be to make it even more so as time goes on.

## ANOTHER OIL BOOM COMING?

All the indications point to the fact that the question of oil in Alberta is again coming to the fore. After the disastrous boom of 1914, the name of oil for some years stank in the nostrils of the people of Alberta. Yet

quietly exploration work has been going on. Some at least have refused to believe that oil could not be got in Alberta, and now it looks as though they may be right. At Wainwright there is oil in some quantities at least. South of Calgary there seems to be oil. Close to the international boundary there are indications of oil. Just beyond it there seems to be oil in plenty. Interest in the oil excitement is again rising. One or two more successful strikes might lead to some of those strange booms which have affected most civilized communities from the days of the South Sea Bubble downwards, and in which this North American Continent seems very liable.

Now there is no question about what the 1914 oil boom was. It was an unmitigated disaster for the Province, in the course of which most of the quantities of the Province disappeared in a few weeks into the pockets of promoters and never reappeared again. It was not that these promoters were all dishonest. Some of them were quite sincere in their belief in the oil possibilities. The trouble was that most of the promoters and investors alike were hopelessly ignorant of everything relating to the finding of oil and wholly reckless as to the real chances of success or failure in actually setting oil. What they wanted was not oil but the opportunity to gamble in shares.

If the boom comes again, it may be expected that the Board of Public Utilities will be overwhelmed with applications from new companies for the right to sell their shares to the public. The public will dash madly in to put hard-earned cash into the most faintly hopeful enterprise. The "experts" will again appear in droves and the imbecile talk of "anti-climax" and "strata" and "dips" which characterized the last boom will be heard all over again.

The oil may be there in actual fact, its finding may mean the production of vast wealth for Alberta just as it has done for Texas, California and other parts of the States. Many may make fortunes out of it, but it is to be feared that more will be ruined by it. If a boom comes and there is a rush to invest, it will be well to remember:

(a) That the oil industry is very highly organized and is almost wholly controlled by two or three enormously powerful corporations, of which the Standard Oil and the Shell Companies are the chief. These companies have the small companies at their mercy in regard to the sale of their output.

(b) That the success or failure of oil drilling operations is very uncertain and that a company which may have a large capital at its disposal to cover all emergencies and unsuccessful attempts. Even real experts differ completely in their opinions as to the prospective chances of different fields.

(c) That the whole industry is highly technical and lends itself to legal frauds by clever and unscrupulous promoters at the expense of inexperienced and confiding investors.

For the comparatively poor man or woman (investor) should be regarded as little more certain and reliable than betting on horse racing. Even if the race is run on wholly honest lines, the result can vary, very seldom be anticipated with even an approach to certainty. Where the organizers of a company are thoroughly well known to the investors, and where the investors can afford to lose what they put in without really exerting efforts to themselves, then oil investment is a legitimate gamble. On any other terms it is far too hazardous for the wise investor.

## THE DECLINE OF COMMUNISM

In the last fortnight Europe has had its mind turned with sharpness to the danger of communism, first by the fatal outrage in Bulgaria and there after by the rumours and mutterings of Communist plots all over Europe. Even the British Home Secretary has publicly stated the existence of such plots. Nevertheless, it looks as if Communism had really shot its bolt and failed to attain its aim. Even in Russia, where it has its only complete victory and opportunity, it is losing ground. In the country districts communism no longer exists and the recent concessions to private traders are tending to wipe it out in the cities also. The Soviet Government is still nominally Communist, but in reality it is gradually turning towards the more rational methods.

Similarly in the rest of Europe Communism is weakening. At the close of the war the governments of Europe were almost all forced to join in a common front against it. They tried to avoid the raising of the issue and to divert the people's minds elsewhere, while the unofficial press did the work of driving home the dreadful object lesson of Russia to the public. In the end the Communists openly proclaimed their theories and uttered their threats, and they were practically unchallenged.

That is not so now. The Bulgarian outrage was immediately followed by active steps being taken against the Communists all over Europe, steps taken openly by the governments with the obvious approval of the vast majority of the people. Communism is no longer referred to in hushed tones as if it were a sleeping monster that must not be wakened lest it tear the watchers to pieces. It is still regarded as a wild beast, but as one to be hunted down and exterminated without mercy. The French municipal

elections of a few days ago resulted in the utter rout of the Communists, and ever since the first great revolution of 1871 there has been in France leanings more or less towards Communism. These elections show that for the present the leanings are much less than that at some periods. It looks as if Communism had become thoroughly discredited and that place to its much more rational and respectable if very debatable relation, Socialism. Communism is more or less a relapse into primitive savagery, while Socialism at its best is organization to the highest pitch of all human activities. The two ought never to have been connected, but for that the Socialists have only to thank some of their own number who theories have had in them more of destruction than construction. In the meantime it is something to see the "Red Peril" seems to be on the way to being thoroughly mastered.

## CHILD KILLED AT INNISFAIR

An exceedingly painful impression has been caused in Innisfail by the death of Violet Forester, the two-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William Forester, Jr. Early on Wednesday afternoon last the child was found by a dog in the street with its head crushed. Medical help was at once called in, but the child was already dead. The body was still warm. The presumption is that the child was run over by some kind of motor vehicle. It is impossible that the occupant of the car could not have noticed the accident and the callousness with which the child was run over is a disgrace to the community. The child was lying in the road while the car drove on, must have the strongest indignation. However, no announcement has yet been made by the police in the case, so that judgment must naturally be suspended for the present.

A Conqueror's Inquest was held at Innisfail on Monday, when Dr. Buckner of Red Deer, gave evidence tending to show that the child had been killed by a car. The coroner's verdict was that the death of an 8-year-old child in the street at about the probable time of the accident was caused by the car, the coroner's jury, who were present, who drove through Innisfail at about the time, attended the inquest and gave evidence that they saw the child playing in the street when he passed and was satisfied that his car had not touched the little girl. No blame or charge of any kind was laid against Mr. Henry in the matter. The coroner's jury brought in a verdict that the child was killed by a car, struck with a blunt instrument. For the present the responsibility for this is left to the coroner's jury. Great sympathy is felt with the family of the little girl.

## IMPRESSIVE MOTHERS' DAY SERVICE AT THE BAPTIST CHURCH

Last Sunday was observed as Mothers' Day at the Baptist Church in Red Deer with special services both morning and evening. The morning service was held at 10 o'clock and the evening service at 7 o'clock. The theme for the morning service was "The Motherhood of God," and at the evening service "Path of Our Mothers." The special feature of the morning service was a pageant, "Mothers of the World," with the following taking part: Mrs. Halliburton, the Spirit of Motherhood; Mrs. Russell, the Spirit of the Race; Mrs. Greig, of Mother of Shem, Ham and Japheth; Mrs. Southworth, Mother of Moses; Mrs. Milne, Rebekah; Mrs. Kirkland, Rachel; Mrs. Baker, Hannah; Mrs. Locke, Bathsheba; Mrs. Jackson, Mother of David; Grace Garrie, Mother of Jonathan; Eileen Russell, Sarah; Elsie Martin, Ruth; Georgina Macdonald, Mary.

At the evening service the choir sang as a special number "Path of Our Mothers," and Mr. John sang "Mother of Mine." At the evening service, Mrs. Bean, the oldest mother of the church, was presented with a fern, while Mrs. Kirkland, the oldest mother of the congregation, was also presented with a potted fern from the older 'teen age girls of the church. By special request the sermon was repeated at the evening service.

## DEATH OF MRS. YEATS

Mrs. J. K. Yeats, mother of Mrs. Geo. M. England, died at her residence, near Chinook, Alta., on Monday morning. Mrs. England was called to her bedside three weeks ago owing to her serious condition, and, though she rallied for some days, she was seized with a stroke on Wednesday week, and gradually succumbed. Mrs. Yeats some ten years ago lived on Victoria Ave. for three years and will be kindly remembered by the residents there. She was born 64 years ago in Scotland, and lived in Chinook, England, until about twenty years ago when Mr. Yeats, who had lived in Winnipeg before, brought out the family and settled in Chinook, where Mrs. Yeats lived until her death in March. Mrs. Yeats was an earnest, God-fearing woman, whose chief interest centred in her family, and by them especially she will be much missed.

The sons are Thompson, in Chinook, England; Geo. W., Calgary; Archie, on the farm near Chinook; and C. E. Rigg, Chinook, England; Mrs. L. W. Kennedy, Telfer, California; Mrs. A. J. Speight, Mrs. Drummiller, Mrs. McKenzie, Marsden, Sask., and Mrs. Geo. M. England, Red Deer.

The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon at the Chinook cemetery. Flowers were sent by: of Calgary, spray; The Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers, a beautiful wreath in the form of a broken wheel; the Ladies' Lodge of the Brotherhood, a spray; Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Provost, of Red Deer, a spray; Mr. and Mrs. George W. Yeats, of Calgary, a wreath; the husband and son (Ardie) of the deceased, a wreath; the daughter of the deceased, a flower pillow; Mr. and

Mrs. Arthur Speight, of Drumheller, a wreath.

## Here and There

"Canada has a fine record of musical and artistic students who work under the auspices of the Royal College of Music," says Sir Hugh Allen, director of the London institution, who is making a tour of Canada in the interests of the College.

Canada exported 143,592.500 pounds of woolpulp during February, of which 133,891.000 went to the United States and to Great Britain, none. Our newspaper exports had a monetary value, in the same month of about seven and a half million dollars.

Two hundred and sixty thousand acres of land in central and northern Alberta will be settled by the British Land Settlement Corporation, it is announced. They are located north of Edmonton and from north of Vermilion to Wabamun, west of Edmonton.

Approximately 750,000 tourists, apart from delegates to conventions, visited Montreal last year by rail. The Montreal Tourist Bureau, according to an estimate compiled by the Montreal Tourist and Convention Bureau. It is anticipated that the influx for the current year will be even greater.

Geraldine Farrar, famous prima donna, who gave a recital of Carmen in Ottawa and Montreal recently, had a run in with the U.S. Customs at the border on her return to the United States. It was claimed that she had champagne and fine wines stored in the plane of her sumptuous private car, but the great singer says it was only near-beer.

England's great military spectacle, the Aldershot Military Searchlight and Torchlight Tattoo, which is held annually in aid of the Aldershot Command Charities, is being presented this year from the 15th to the 20th of June and will, as usual, be contemporaneous with Ascot Week. The special feature is to be a Pageant of Battle which will recall some of the famous engagements of the British Army. Nearly 100,000 patrons attended last year.

To enable French-Canadian students to become acquainted with Western Canada, the Université de Montréal has organized a 23-day trip to the coast from Montreal next July. They will pass through Winnipeg, Regina, Moose Jaw, Calgary, Edmonton, Banff, Vancouver and Victoria, with stop-overs at Lake Louise, Field, Glacier, the Fraser Canyon and other beauty spots of the Canadian Rockies.

Student tours, operated by the Canadian Pacific in conjunction with McGill University, are to be extended this summer to include students from the British Isles. Heretofore, these tours have been restricted to scholars in other parts of Canada and in the United States. As Montreal is regarded as an ideal centre for the study of the French language, it is anticipated that the new project will attract many visitors to the Canadian metropolises.

The body of Dr. Sun Yat Sen, President of Southern China lay in state in a wonderful blue-tiled old temple near the "Altar of Heaven" during the long drawn out ceremonies at Peking attended upon his interment. Through the courtesy of the government the bier was viewed by a large party of Canadians and Americans touring the world on the Canadian Pacific S.S. "Empress of France." They were also invited to attend the final burial rites which, with a wealth of colorful Chinese ceremony took place later in the Western hills.

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## GENERAL CHANGE

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Times for Trains at Red Deer will be:

Northbound  
Daily—  
No. 531—Ar. 4:50 a.m.; Lv. 4:55 a.m.  
No. 525—Ar. 7:50 p.m.; Lv. 7:55 p.m.  
Daily except Sunday—  
No. 523—Ar. 11:35 a.m.; Lv. 11:45 a.m.

Southbound  
Daily—  
No. 526—Ar. 3:35 a.m.; Lv. 3:40 a.m.  
No. 523—Ar. 10:25 a.m.; Lv. 10:35 p.m.  
Daily except Sunday—  
No. 524—Ar. 5:25 p.m.; Lv. 5:35 a.m.

Red Deer-Rocky Mountain House  
Westbound  
Mon., Wed., Fri., Lv. 12:15 p.m.

Eastbound  
No. 614—  
Tues., Thurs., Sat., Ar. 9:35 a.m.

TRANS-CANADA LIMITED, Nos. 7 and 8 (Standard sleeping cars only) between Montreal, Toronto and Vancouver will be resumed, first train leaves each of these points on May 17th, 1925.

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Red Deer

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Guests at the Sylvan Lake Hotel in the last few days included: G. E. Stephenson, of Bentley; B. C. Lewis, of Red Deer; Mr. and Mrs. Flier, of Edmonton; J. W. Drew, of Armstrong; A. C. Racy, T. W. Clark, W. S. Foster, E. G. Rogers, D. A. Richardson, and Dr. Langford, all of Calgary.

Your correspondent wishes again to draw attention to the box social dance and concert by the Sylvan Lake Band on the evening of Monday, May 25th. The band has been a splendid advance sale of tickets for this event, which really promises to officially open the dance season in the Lake country.

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## DEBTS AND THEIR ENFORCEMENT WITH SOME SUGGESTIONS FOR AMENDMENT

By E. H. Jones, K. C.

Alberta has the reputation, and deservedly so, of having upon its Statute Books some of the most advanced legislation in the Dominion, but in spite of this reputation there are many fields for improvement, and one which is of vital importance and in need of immediate attention, is in relation to the collection of debts.

Included in the term "debts" are moneys due under contracts as well as claims for damages. The subject is one which is of interest to every class of society. It is of equal importance to farmers, merchants, manufacturers and employees and to the members of the various professions.

All who have any knowledge of this subject will admit that the procedure in Alberta is unsatisfactory and unsuccessful in results, and is such that any debtor who is prepared to act dishonestly can, without the least difficulty, defeat his creditors.

We have in this Province all the necessary machinery and officials for the proper enforcement of the debts, but unfortunately we are lacking in legislative authority, and to this respect we are far behind England. From a brief outline of the procedure at present in existence in Alberta and the procedure existing in England it will be seen where there is a superior to the other, and we shall then endeavor to indicate in what way the Alberta procedure can be improved and the advantages to be thereby gained.

The subject of necessity gives opening for attack on account of the many technicalities and exceptions and reservations, which would arise on the enforcement of the suggested amendments. This attitude is only an outline of the proposed amendments, and therefore, it is deemed advisable to omit all technicalities as far as possible and explain it in as simple and non-technical language as possible.

First, with regard to Canadian procedure. The collection of debts as defined above, namely, claims arising under contracts or damage claims, are dealt with by three different divisions of their work being governed by the amount of the claim. All claims over \$500.00 are dealt with by the Trial Division of the Supreme Court of Alberta; those over \$100.00 and not exceeding \$500.00 are dealt with by the District Court; and all debts under contracts under \$100.00 may be tried either in the District Court or before a Police Magistrate under the Provisions of the Small Debt Act.

Actions in each of the courts are commenced in a similar form, in the Supreme and District Courts by writ of Statement of Claim and in Small Debt Court, by issue of Small Debt Summons. These statements of claim or Small Debt Summons set out particulars of the nature of the claim in sufficient fullness to enable the defendant to know exactly how the claim arises, what it is for and how the amount is made up.

The actions in the Supreme Court and District Court follow the same procedure, that is, that the Defendant is given a certain number of days within which to enter a defence. If no defence is filed within the limited time, when the plaintiff is at liberty to sign judgment. If a defence is filed then the action goes to trial and judgment is given according to the justice of the case. If the action is brought before a Police Magistrate the procedure is slightly different, as on the issue of the Summons the Police Magistrate fixes a date for the hearing and on the date in question the parties appear before him and the case is tried and judgment given. The ultimate result, however, is the same in all three cases. Judgment is finally obtained. From this point onwards the procedure is the same in each case. The Judgment is entered by the Clerk of the Court of the District where the case was tried and the plaintiff then proceeds to issue execution. The execution is an order of the Court directing the Sheriff of the particular Judicial District in which the defendant resides to seize the goods and land of the defendant and to sell the same, and out of the proceeds of such sale to pay the execution creditor the amount of his claim and costs, which costs of course include the Sheriff's costs of the seizure.

No difficulty arises up to this point, more particularly in those cases where no defence is filed, which form a majority of the cases passing through the Courts, but the creditors troubles commence with the issue of the execution.

As already pointed out, the execution is directed against the defendant's goods and land, but the creditor must exhaust all his remedies against the goods or receive a return from the Sheriff that the defendant has no goods, before he is at liberty to take any action against the land.

The first difficulty the creditor runs up against in the debtors' claim for exemptions. How extensive these are, the majority of the people are unaware. The following brief summary indicates the principal exemptions:

- (a) Clothing of debtor and family.
- (b) Household furniture to value \$200.00.
- (c) Necessary food for family for 6 months, including grain, flour or vegetables and meat, either prepared for use or on foot.
- (d) 4 horses, 6 cows, 50 fowls besides those chosen for food and feed for them for 6 winter months.
- (e) Harness for four horses, 1 wagon, 1 mower, and scythe, 1 binder, 1 horse rake, 1 sewing machine, 1 breaking plough, 1 set sleighs and one seed drill.
- (f) Books of a professional man.
- (g) Tools of trade to value \$200.00.
- (h) Sufficient seed to seed 150 acres, or rate of 3 bushels to the acre and 14 bushels of potatoes.
- (i) Homestead of debtor not exceeding 100 acres.
- (j) In town the house and lot or lots forming actual residence of debtor to the value of \$500.00.

More will be said with regard to these exemptions later on. The next trouble will probably be finding that the goods are subject to a prior claim such as a Chattel Mortgage, either in favor of a Bank or some other creditor which has priority over the execution creditor's claim, or they may be withheld from the landlord for rent or, as is so commonly the case, the property is claimed

ed by the wife or some other relative. Any one of these claims prevents the Sheriff seizing and realizing and in addition in the case of an adverse claim, such as by the Mortgagee, wife or relative, it may involve the creditor in an interpleader action in order to find out whether the claim made on the goods is honest or dishonest, and if he loses he will be added with the costs of the action, which will run into quite a substantial sum. Experience has proved that in a great number of cases after the Sheriff has made his seizure it will be found that either the whole of the goods or so much of them are either protected by exemptions or subject to hostile claims that it is useless to proceed and the Sheriff withdraws and the execution creditor is saddled with all the costs of the seizure, which are by no means light.

We will assume that the Sheriff has been unable to realize the full amount of the claim under the seizure of the debtor's personal property and has returned to the creditor a report stating that fact or that the debtor has no goods that can be seized. The debtor, however, the registered owner of land against which the creditor is desirous of proceeding to realize his claim. The first condition of his doing is that he must wait for one year from the date of his execution, he then must obtain from the Sheriff a Certificate that he has endeavored to realize against the debtor's personal property but has failed to realize the amount of the claim.

After these two conditions are complied with the creditor may proceed. Here again he is faced with difficulties, a report stating that fact or that the debtor has no goods that can be seized. The debtor, however, the registered owner of land against which the creditor is desirous of proceeding to realize his claim. The first condition of his doing is that he must wait for one year from the date of his execution, he then must obtain from the Sheriff a Certificate that he has endeavored to realize against the debtor's personal property but has failed to realize the amount of the claim.

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The English procedure and the Alberta procedure as above outlined are very similar up to and including Execution, Receivership and Bankruptcy. But it is at this stage of the proceedings where it is submitted the English procedure is more beneficial to the creditor than the Alberta. Under the English rules of Court the right is given to the Trial Judge to order payment of the claim by instalments. The procedure is simple. The execution creditor can apply ex parte that he without notice to the defendant pay the debt by instalments and the amount of the instalments and the number of them to be paid is left to the discretion of the Judge making the Order. The usual practice, however, is that the Judge requires some evidence as to the defendant's means and ability to pay before making such Order.

Judgment Summons This is a procedure that is greatly misunderstood. Unfortunately it has not the name of imprisonment, for debt, which is a complete misnomer. The procedure is of a technical nature and unnecessary to explain here, but a few words will make the situation clear, but as a preliminary to this explanation, attention must be drawn to a change in the English law which took place in 1905. Prior to this date there certainly was imprisonment for debt and the history of this established to a debtor and his family, has only been too graphically described by very well known authors, particularly Charles Dickens. In several of his works. In 1905 an Act known as the Debtors' Act was passed whereby if a debtor was arrested, with certain reservations imprisonment for debt was abolished. Under this Act, in case the debtor failed to pay the debt or the instalment of a debt the creditor can apply for what is known as a Judgment Summons. The summons is served upon the defendant calling upon him to appear before the Judge of the County Court to show reason why he has not paid the debt or instalment as ordered. This application can only be heard by the Judge personally. The Judges are extremely careful in dealing with these applications, because their decision may endanger the liberty of the defendant. The Plaintiff has to satisfy the Judge that the defendant has the means and the ability to pay the claim but refuses to do so. The Judge investigates the case most carefully; the defendant is entitled to be heard and allowed to call evidence. If the Judge is satisfied that the defendant has the means and ability to pay but will not, then he can commit him to prison as is provided under the Act. If the Judge does this, he does not commit the debtor to prison for non-payment of the debt but commits him to prison for contempt of court for not paying the debt when he has the means of doing so, quite a different situation, and the man can be released from prison immediately on paying up the amount directed to be paid under the Order of Commitment.

Administration Orders This is another procedure and in this case it is one for the benefit of the debtor primarily, but it also benefits the debtors' creditors as a body. It frequently happens that a man through misfortune accumulates a considerable number of small debts which he is unable to meet at once, so he probably is being worried and sued by various creditors, the only effect of which is to put him to anxiety and to the additional expense of the provisions of the English Bankruptcy Act there is one section which gives power to a debtor whose debts combined debts do not exceed \$250.00 to apply to the County Court for an Administration Order. The debtor has to file with the Clerk of the Court a full list of all his debts, stating whether or not they are secured or otherwise. Notice of the application is then sent to all the

creditors and a day fixed for the hearing before the County Court Judge. Upon the hearing of the application, after hearing all parties, the Judge then appoints a person to enforce the Order that the Judge shall make, and orders that the debts be paid in full or to such extent as the debtor's assets will permit, either in one sum or by instalments, but if the Order is made for payment by instalments the payments must be completed within six years from the date of the Order, and a further order is made restraining the creditors from taking any further action against the debtor but the order is given to the creditors if the debtor fails to comply with the terms of the Order, to apply to the Judge to vary or to annul the Administration Order. The procedure has been found extremely beneficial both to creditors and debtors, because it enables a honest debtor to meet his liabilities when pressure and proceedings might hopelessly cripple him. Reference was made earlier in regard to the Exemption Ordinance. When this Ordinance was passed, it was an excellent piece of legislation, and absolutely necessary to protect settlers in a new country, and so long as the exemptions are honestly exercised it should not be interfered with, but experience has shown that there are a number of dishonest persons in this Province who incur debts with no intention of paying them and who shelter themselves behind the Exemption Ordinance.

There is no need to repeat what these exemptions are, but it is at least apparent that a man who claims his full exemptions can be exceedingly well off and yet able to see his creditors at defiance. The purpose of the Exemption Ordinance is not suggested, but that where it can be proved that a debtor has wilfully or recklessly incurred debts and makes no effort to discharge them, a creditor should be enabled to make application and power should be placed in the hands of the Supreme Court Judges to cancel in whole or in part the debtor's exemptions and order the whole or sufficient part thereof to be sold for the benefit of his creditors. It is suggested that such a drastic remedy would only be granted after an extremely careful investigation of all the facts by the Judge. The burden of proving that the debtor is dishonestly protecting himself under his exemptions should fall on the plaintiff, and the defendant would of course require to be served with notice of the intended application to enable him to appear and oppose the same. Experience has proved that these exemptions are a great hardship upon creditors in many instances, and are being dishonestly claimed, and the suggested alteration is urgently needed.

This change is not advocated in the interest of any particular body but in the interest of every creditor in the Province. If it is this amendment of the Exemption Ordinance there was to amend the English procedure outlined above in respect of Judgment Summons, Orders for Payment by Instalments and Administration Orders, it is suggested that the collection of legitimate debts in Alberta would be helped and the business life of the Province put on a generally healthier footing.

## LACOMBE

(Crowded out last week)

A rather exciting exhibition football game took place in Lacombe on Friday, May 8th, between the home town and Ponoka. Ponoka, however, had the victory as Lacombe in the first period scoring two goals, while Lacombe in the next period scored one goal. The game was well attended and all spectators went away assured that there will be some very fine games this season.

The picture show on Friday and Saturday last, was real thrilling and brought a big crowd. It was entitled "Sinners in Heaven." And we are pleased to note that the picture shows looked for at the Rex Theatre are "Riders of the Purple Sage" and "Hunchback of Notre-Dame." Mr. Murphy having taken over the theatre from Mr. Armour, we congratulate him for the good selection of pictures.

Mr. C. H. Duncan, whilst on his way to attend the Rose Ball at Red Deer last Friday, met with an accident with his car, when an intoxicated man met him half way. Both cars were badly damaged.

Mrs. P. M. Panrucker left last Friday to spend the summer months with her husband at Cochrane Ranch, Cochrane, Alberta. Many of the University shekels are home from Edmonton and are looking forward to a long and jolly vacation.

MRS. MULDOON AND MRS. O'HARA

"Mrs. Muldoon" said Mrs. O'Hara, "it is well you're faint the day?"  
"Yes, very well."  
"An' abhrog?"  
"Yes, quite abhrog."  
"Then p'raps it's able ye'd be to bring back the two washbasins ye borrowed last Monday?"

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